

PORTLAND BUSINESSMEN ARE AGAIN TURNING TO HAWAII FOR BUSINESS

Prospect of Establishing Systematic Trade Relations Are Said to Be Growing

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(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence) PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 17.—Hawaii has a neighbor whom it would pay her to know better, a neighbor who wishes to become a friend. For Portland looks with envious eyes upon the friendship between Hawaii and San Francisco and wishes that she, too, were on friendly terms with the islands. Starting about the time the trip of the Hawaiian prince, late in 1915, there has been a steady increase of interest which was in no wise abated by the forced abandonment of the excursion. The newspapers of the city have reflected this interest in numerous descriptive articles and editorials, people bring up the subject on the street and at the restaurants, and several plans have been seriously suggested regarding the establishing of a steamship line to the islands, if only experimentally. Move is Delayed.

The principal reason that no definite step has been taken in this matter is the general depression which has confined the attention of Oregonians strictly to their immediate problems. Following the period of extreme prosperity which occurred after the Lewis and Clark Exposition of 1905 and lasted well into 1912, came three years of very dull times. New industries were abandoned everywhere, old ones retrenched severely, mortgages were foreclosed daily, many lumber firms in and around Portland were closed for as long as a year at a time and the suffering extended all over the state. Naturally, people in such financial doldrums were not likely to do much toward financing a steamboat line.

Tide Has Turned But the turn of the tide has set in and indications on every hand point to a return of prosperity that will make up for the lean years just past. One very important feature in this connection is the establishment of shipyards. Fostered by the inflated value of ships resulting from the great war, a shipbuilding industry is growing on the shores of the Columbia such as has never been in these parts before. True, wooden vessels of small size have been constructed in Oregon and Washington in decent quantity in the past, but there has been nothing to equal the present activity. The established shipyards in Portland and Astoria are working to capacity, the total value of the contracts already let being twenty-five million dollars. The important feature is that while many of the boats ordered are wooden schooners with auxiliary engines, a large portion of the activity consists of the construction of steel ships, something practically unheard of on the coast outside of the Union Iron Works at San Francisco.

The Northwest Steel Company has formed a subsidiary corporation to handle their contracts and a new firm, the Heath Shipbuilding Company has organized and started construction of a plant, having already received an order from a Norwegian firm for six steam schooners, each to be 250 feet long and to cost a quarter million dollars. As a consequence of this industry and the excellent marketing conditions brought about by the war, the lumber industry has again come into its own and is running full blast. The lumber industry is to Oregon what sugar is to Hawaii. Add to all this a bumper wheat crop at remarkable prices, a year of heavy rainfall, the successful operation of the beet sugar factory in Southern Oregon and it becomes clear why prosperity seems near again.

Should Revive Project Early in 1917, then, should be a favorable time for the revival of the proposition of a steamship line to Hawaii, an experiment which should prove an unqualified success. Oregon has much to sell to Hawaii and certainly Hawaii would benefit greatly from being able to tap directly the enormous population of the Western Washington, Western Idaho and practically all Oregon, for all of which Portland is the distributing center.

As an indication of the awakening interest in things Hawaiian it is interesting to take account of the popularity of Hawaiian music. Numerous troupes of so-called Hawaiian musicians (the latter term likewise so-called) have appeared at various local theaters and amusement parks and have been greeted with such enthusiasm that one often wonders what the people here would do if they could hear, say, Ernest Kal's genuine Hawaiian music. The music stores have difficulty in keeping up their stock of "Aloha Oe," which popular opinion holds to be the national air of the islands. "Aloha Oe" suffers severely because they insist on playing it with a ragtime lift, but what of that between friends? And the ukulele: Possibly it may be the native instrument of Hawaii, but it certainly thrives with transplanting. The statement has been made, although it is possibly somewhat exaggerated, that a ukulele is as essential as a high school diploma in entering any coast college. This summer the streets of Portland were infested with young men and women and ukuleles, the motto of the performers apparently being, to quote a writer in Sunset, "Three Chords and the World is Mine." I fancy Sonny

Cunha and Billy Adams would turn green with envy at the prices obtained here for ukuleles, or you-ka-lilies, to give them their accepted local pronunciation. For a plain, cigar-box instrument, about as much a Hawaiian product as are reindeer, the poor dealer gets only \$9.50, and sometimes throws in a cloth case for good measure. The inland varieties compare favorably in price with a Ford flyover or a seat in the Stock Exchange—and yet they sell.

New Stunt Is Tried Portland society people tried a new stunt this year to obtain funds for their favorite charity, an idea which might prove of value for a similar purpose in Honolulu. They produced a five-reel motion picture with great success. The scenario was written by a local writer; the actors, of whom there was a multitude, were all prominent members of the younger set, and local points of interest were cleverly woven in. The play was called "Veda the Vampire," and a take-off on both the popular Theda Bara themes and the thrilling serials. The film was extensively advertised and ran four days at one of the most popular downtown houses. The performers all had a fine time, the profits were large, and the public parted with the necessary admission with a smile.

News of Hawaii Folk Portland is rather out of the track of Hawaiian travel, but a kamaaina will occasionally find his overcoat around him and venture this far into the Farthest North. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren were in Portland for a few days a short while ago, on a trip up the coast. They were taken over the Columbia highway by Samuel Lancaster, the engineer who designed and constructed this justly famous roadway.

George Wilkinson, well known in rowing circles in Honolulu, was graduated this year from the North Pacific Dental College. He has been looking around for a town with a future, and has been especially attracted by the Central Oregon country, where large irrigation projects are under way.

Mrs. C. R. Forbes passed through Portland on her way back to the island not long ago. Tom Owen, formerly with Mr. Forbes in the Spalding Construction Company, is making good with his ladder factory in East Portland. His specialty is a short sten-ladder which is at the same time a handy kitchen stool.

Yes, visitors from Hawaii to Portland are few, but wait until we get that steamship line established!

POLICE LOOSENESS BROUGHT OUT IN 'SLOP BEER' SALOON HEARING

Sergeant Refused to Book Saloonman Arrested for Driving While Intoxicated

Light was shed on looseness of the police administration at the hearing last night of the Imperial bar "slop beer" case before the board of liquor license commissioners. James E. Thompson, proprietor of the bar, is charged with law violations which may result in his losing his license, and that was the primary purpose of the hearing, but evidence for and against Thompson was only part of the developments.

Corroborated testimony by police officers showed that Thompson had been arrested for driving his auto while under the influence of liquor and taken to the police station, and that the arresting officer had tried to have him booked on this charge, but that the sergeant at the desk had refused to book Thompson when the saloonman had calmed him to an easy-going frame of mind.

This fact was brought out when Motorcycle Officer J. G. Branco was called to the stand. Branco told of arresting Thompson on Kalakaua avenue on August 15; said he was speeding about six miles an hour; that he had stopped him and made him get out of the car, and that Thompson was so intoxicated he was staggering around. Branco testified to calling his patrol mate, Officer Sam Ferreira, and together they took Thompson to the police station.

"Begg'd Off" "Well—he begg'd off!" Branco said, and this opened up a line of discussion which ran for half an hour. W. H. Heen, deputy attorney-general, questioned Branco on Thompson, cross-questioned him. Branco reiterated his story, saying he tried vainly to get the sergeant to book Thompson, but that Thompson had pleaded that he be allowed to go free, saying he was afraid the license commissioners would get hold of the story that he was driving while intoxicated and take away his liquor license.

"What the sergeant says goes," Branco summarized the outcome. Ferreira was told to drive Thompson to his home and did so, taking the saloonman almost to his door. The commission and spectators snickered when Branco went on to say that Thompson begged to be allowed to drive into his garage, saying that he was afraid of his wife if he should be brought home by a policeman.

Had Violated Law Ferreira corroborated Branco's testimony with emphatic fullness. "No doubt Thompson violated the law, but I wasn't haggling the case," he said

MONEY CAPITAL NOW NEW YORK, SAYS BEAUCHAMP

Head of Bank of New Zealand Says Gotham Leads World; Thinks Wilson Winner

For the time being New York is the financial center of the world and New York bankers are sending considerable sums to the London market, as they cannot find profitable employment for their money in their own city, Woodrow Wilson will probably be reelected.

These are the two most interesting items of news brought to Honolulu Wednesday by one of the biggest bankers of New Zealand, Harold Beauchamp, chairman of the board of directors of the Bank of New Zealand, who is a through passenger on the Canadian-Australasian liner Niagara after a tour of the United States.

"The whole United States is in a condition of the most amazing prosperity," said the noted New Zealand financier on the liner a few minutes before he took his family on an automobile trip around Honolulu and out to the Pali. "It is temporarily the financial center of the world, but it is thought that on the resumption of normal conditions London will again become the money capital."

"Call money in New York now is only worth from 2 to 2½ per cent," he added, "and there is a plethora of it at that, whereas in London there is no difficulty in letting out money at from 5½ to 6 per cent per annum, that being the ruling rate for British treasury bonds, than which there is no better security."

Asked about the presidential campaign, Beauchamp said he thinks the Democratic candidate, President Woodrow Wilson, will be reelected. "There seems to be a strong feeling among Americans against being drawn into war complications," he said, "and as a result many who voted the Republican ticket in 1912 will vote the Democratic ticket November 7."

PVT. BARNETT DESERTS

Pvt. Charles Barnett, Company L, 1st Infantry, is posted as a deserter from Schofield Barracks, where he was last seen on October 21, 1916. Barnett is 21 years of age, has blue eyes, light brown hair, fair complexion and weighs 140 pounds. He is five feet six inches in height.

Hawaii Stimulates Acting



MISS CLAIRE SIMPSON Leading lady in Hawaiian film play, "Kaolulani," as she appeared on the screen at the first showings of the drama Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Claire Simpson, Hawaii's only leading lady in the films, entered the mimic world because she believed she was carrying out her youthful ideas. Her success has been made, because she has gone into the work with all the sincerity that she can display.

"I believe that when one has selected a chosen profession, this profession must be one that means pleasure for them as well as work," said Miss Simpson as she rested after the struggle on the cliff the other day in which one of the feature scenes of the new film which will be released this week was made. It was a pretty picture, far away from the traffic on in Nuhanu valley, and Miss Simpson, dressed in the garb of a Hawaiian girl, looked the part and felt it.

Finds Nature Inspiring "One can get so much more out of a scene where nature has done its work than in a crowded city. There is something unexplainable which comes over the person appearing in the play when the trees, hills and running water form the background. All of these look so grand that you feel that you must give your very best to meet their expectations."

In the scene of the struggle on the cliff where Dr. Stafford and Ned Steel plunge 60 feet down the cliff with arms clasped about each other, there was something inspiring about it. Perhaps because we were all playing to keep those walls washed by the running streams for ages from feeling that we had not done our best.

"There is so much beauty, history and romance in Hawaii that I feel forced at times to sing out the praises to nature. I have not let sentiment enter into the situation at all; but old Mother Nature has been so lavish with her gifts that one cannot wonder that the Ben Greet players made such a reputation playing among the hills and dales with nothing formed by man and dated with nothing formed by man and dated with nothing formed by man."

Mimic Life Draws Her "Since I first entered the convent I have showed a tendency toward the mimic side of life. While in school I was always the first to join in the amateur plays, which, although crude, brought out the talent that has made many of the stars of today successful."

"After leaving school I planned a number of amateur theatricals which proved to be successful, and then joined the Redmond Company. I missed the chorus, and often I have felt that this part of my education had been sadly neglected. I have known a number who have jumped from the chorus to a place as a star, but this has been the result of hard work and application."

"Thomas Ince gave me my first start in the film world, and I can remember the first time I faced the camera. Previous to this I had been with him in work and application."

the Alcazar Company and with Oliver Morosco. I had met with some success in the speaking parts, but when I made my first attempt to pose for the camera, I was a scream. It's all so different, and I know that my first lesson wasn't one that would raise any great hopes.

Careful Work Different "After many weeks of hard work, I managed to get the pose right and from that time on gained some success. Playing opposite to Charley Ray gave me an opportunity to do better things, and when later I played with Blanche King, learned that one must feel the play every moment."

"Hawaii teems with legends, and with stories that the moving picture devotee should be interested in, and I feel pleased that I had the opportunity to appear in the first picture made here depicting many of the scenes that embody the beauties of Hawaii. Dr. Stafford has done big things in the moving picture business and it is fortunate that Honolulu has a man here who knows continuity perhaps better than any other director in the business. Our filming has been interesting, and I hope to appear in another film next year," she concluded.

Miss Simpson left today for San Jose, where she will play leads with the Redmond Stock Company. She has made many friends in Honolulu and her dramatic work in the first exhibition of the picture was highly complimented by those present.

ALFRED ZAYES MAY BE NEXT CUBAN PRESIDENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles) HAVANA, Cuba, Nov. 2.—Indications early today were that Alfredo Zayas had been elected president of Cuba in the general election held yesterday.

The election was marked by numerous disturbances in the interior. At Melena del Sur, it is alleged, liberals attacked the voting place and in the fight that ensued one person was killed and two were wounded.

FACES TWO CHARGES.

In a den in the very center of the block bounded by King and Hotel, Maunakea and Kekaulike streets, Kun Yau was arrested Tuesday night by Chief McDuffie's detectives and arraigned in police court next morning on two charges, one of having a check ticket and the other of possessing opium. He will be heard Friday.

McDuffie says five other men were in the room with him but were not smoking. The chief laments the fact that only a small horn of opium was located.

HUGHES FEARS AFTERMATH OF WAR PROSPERITY

Has Vision of Soup Kitchens and Empty Dinner Pails if Bourbons Returned

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles) TERRE HAUTE, Indiana, Nov. 2.—The United States will be filled with soup houses, the laborer's dinner pail will be empty and hard times will follow upon the heels of war-built prosperity if the Democrats are left in power and American industries are not given adequate protection, according to Charles Evans Hughes, Republican candidate for president, in the concluding speeches of his campaign in this state yesterday.

Mr. Hughes, who left last night for New York, where he will close his campaign, made five addresses during the day. In the course of those speeches he denounced Oscar W. Underwood, Democrat leader, for the tariff bill that bears Underwood's name. This law, Hughes stated, has undermined American industries, and its effects will be fully felt when the tide of temporary prosperity due to war orders, ebbs.

FEDERAL AGENTS UNCOVER PLOT TO HELP VILLA

Man Arrested at Tucson and Quantity of Ammunition is Seized

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles) TUCSON, Ariz., Nov. 2.—Through the arrest here last night by the agents of the department of justice of Dr. G. R. Servin, a naturalized citizen of the United States, a widespread plot to supply Villa and his allies with arms and ammunition is believed to have been exposed.

Servin is accused of being one of a number of conspirators working to ship arms and ammunition across the border to agents of Villa. His is the only arrest so far reported, but it is known that a large number are implicated in the alleged plot and that warrants for many others, charging them with conspiracy, are out for service.

Following the arrest of Servin yesterday the federal agents seized a quantity of ammunition, said to be a part of the supplies being made ready for Villa.

Servin denies that he is a party to any conspiracy or that he has any knowledge of any such conspiracy.

COLUMBIA PROTESTS NICARAGUA CANAL ROUTE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles) WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 2.—The Republic of Columbia, through its minister, Senor Don Julio Betancourt, has formally protested against the route of the proposed Nicaraguan canal, as outlined in the treaty between the United States and Nicaragua.

The point of contention is that through Nicaragua undertaking to give the United States a lease for 99 years of the islands of Great Corn and Little Corn the sovereignty of Columbia over these islands is denied by implication.

Columbia desires to reaffirm her ownership of these islands, which are of no value to the United States in the matter of the Nicaraguan canal except for their strategic location. They are only 10 miles off the coast and, if fortified, would be under some circumstances a menace to the country which owns them.

UNCLE SAM TO BUILD BIG SUPPLY DEPOT ON BORDER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles) SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Nov. 2.—An army supply depot is to be built at Fort Sam Houston, this city, which will offer accommodation for four divisions of infantry and one division of cavalry, according to orders from the war department received here late yesterday.

The total number of men who can be cared for by the depot is 110,000. Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars is available for the work, according to estimates of the war department.

DEUTSCHLAND'S CARGO WORTH TEN MILLIONS?

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles) NEW LONDON, Conn., Nov. 2.—The cargo of the Deutschland as estimated by Captain Koenig is valued at \$10,000,000.

"I SAW A CHIROPRACTOR TAKE A BUNCH OF DERELICTS pronounced 'incurable' and achieve results which seemed like miracles to me. I decided I would not accept the opinion of a chiropractor or medical men, but make my own decision."—L. W. Edwards, M. D., Omaha.

F. C. MIGHTON, D. C. Former Director of Clinic, Pacific Chiropractic College, 304 Boston Bldg., Over May's.

"SILENT VOTE" TO SWING ELECTION, IS HUGHES IDEA

Republican Candidate Thinks Men Who Say Little Now Will Determine Result

POLITICAL PLUMS WAIT DECISION OF NOVEMBER 7

If Republicans Regain Senate, It's Tough Sledding for Wilson Nominees

By C. S. ALBERT (Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 19.—With the solution of the great election puzzle near at hand all minor matters, such as plums and pie, have been placed in cold storage. Nothing further in the direction of bestowing federal patronage will be done until the shower of ballots has indicated governmental control for the ensuing four years beginning with March 4. Incidentally, the outcome of the election depends on one thing. The "silent vote" will determine results. Early in his campaigning this fact became clear to Candidate Hughes. Nothing has occurred since to change his definite conclusion that the men who talk little and keep their own counsels will name the next president.

The situation is extremely simple to a man up a tree: One-third of the male population emphatically predicts that Mr. Wilson will be reelected. Another third vehemently insists that Mr. Hughes will win out. The one-third who seems deaf, dumb and blind will settle the problem. For this reason all prophets are without honor and the best soothsayer is unable to turn a spoke toward foreshadowing the net result.

About the only sensible and logical forecast is that Allan Benson, the Socialist nominee for president, will receive 1 per cent of the popular vote. The computation is not nearly so reliable as to the percentage with which Hanley, the Prohibition candidate, will be honored. There is nothing doing on estimates when it comes to the big fish in the pond.

Political Plums Growing But with the nearness of the fateful day growing more acute the feature of plums and pie has been deferred until after the election, November 7.

The subsequent distribution of these articles will depend largely on the outcome at the polls. All those who will assume office after March 4 will have a say they do not now possess.

If some genial and active Democrat should happen along and give Mr. Hughes a fine walloping, the chances for James L. Coke ascending the bench might be lessened or removed. A Democratic delegate-elect from Hawaii could jump in and pull down the plum for one of those who had helped him in the pre-election trenches. It might be rather hard lines for Mr. Coke, but such is or are politics, according to the method by which the reader was taught.

Also, See New York The same is true of every other section. The postmaster at the City of New York has been hung up on a high peg until after the election. If William F. McCombs is chosen United States senator it is certain his endorsement of an applicant will take preference over that of Mr. O'Gorman, who retires with the termination of the short session.

If the Republicans should have extra good luck and regain control of the senate, taking effect on March 4, members of that party doubtless will wage unremitting warfare against all future nominations made by President Wilson. They will do this on the basis of retribution and revenge. When Mr. Wilson was chosen four years ago the Democrats steadfastly declined to confirm any of the nominations sent in by Mr. Taft. They declared all appointments should be postponed until the Democrats assumed power. With a few nonpartisan exceptions this determination was made effective. The Republicans fought to the last ditch and fell in it, but without avail. They then served notice that when their day came along retribution would be dished out in large quantities. None of those holding over have forgotten the provocation or the promise.

MERCHANTMEN FIGHT TEUTON SUBMARINES

BERLIN, Germany, Nov. 2.—Three German submarines which returned to German ports yesterday sank in the English channel in the space of a few days, twenty-one ships of an aggregate of 18,500 tons, according to a statement issued today by the Overseas News Agency, the semi-official press agency of Germany.

The agency states that one of the submarines, in the course of its destructive operations, was repeatedly attacked by armed steamers or shelled by others.

Australia, it is estimated, contains two-elevenths of the world's total of sheep.

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